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Viewing cable 09MADRID1003, SPAIN: ANTI-MAFIA PROSECUTORS WELCOME USG

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Understanding cables

Every cable message consists of three parts:

- The top box shows each cables unique reference number, when and by whom it originally was sent, and what its initial classification was.
- The middle box contains the header information that is associated with the cable. It includes information about the receiver(s) as well as a general subject.
- The bottom box presents the body of the cable. The opening can contain a more specific subject, references to other cables ([browse by origin](#) to find them) or additional comment. This is followed by the main contents of the cable: a summary, a collection of specific topics and a comment section.

To understand the justification used for the classification of each cable, please use this [WikiSource](#) article as reference.

Discussing cables

If you find meaningful or important information in a cable, please link directly to its unique reference number. Linking to a specific paragraph in the body of a cable is also possible by copying the appropriate link (to be found at the paragraph symbol). Please mark messages for social networking services like Twitter with the hash tags [#cablegate](#) and a hash containing the reference ID e.g. #09MADRID1003.

Reference ID	Created	Released	Classification	Origin
09MADRID1003	2009-10-15 06:18	2011-08-30 01:44	CONFIDENTIAL	Embassy Madrid

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OUTREACH, SEEK COLLABORATION
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Classified By: Acting Deputy Chief of Mission William Duncan for reason s 1.4 (b) and (d)

11. (C) SUMMARY. Embassy Madrid POLOFF and POL/GSO Officer from the Barcelona CG on September 29 met Gerardo Cavero, Barcelona's chief prosecut
//Taking on the Russian Mafia//

12. (C) Bermejo claimed that there is large scale money laundering going on in Catalonia and "many, many" members of the Russian mafia are acti

13. XXXXXXXXXXXX

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14. (C) Bermejo agreed with the notion that money talks, and added this is especially true when the amounts being offered as bribes are so larg

15. (C) Bermejo and Cavero are part of a small office - three prosecutors and 4-5 staffers - that is short-handed because their workload is so